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## SPRINGFIELD FELON SENTENCED FOR ILLEGAL POSSESSION OF FIREARM

**SPRINGFIELD, Mo.** – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Springfield, Mo., man was sentenced in federal court today for violating a federal firearms law.

**Darin Sisco**, 36, of Springfield, Mo., was sentenced by U.S. District Judge Richard E. Dorr this morning to three years and five months in federal prison without parole.

On Sept. 29, 2003, **Sisco** pleaded guilty to being a felon in possession of a firearm. By pleading guilty, **Sisco** admitted that he was in possession of a Marlin .22 caliber rifle on Aug. 21, 2002, in Greene County, Mo. **Sisco** also admitted that he was in possession of a Remington 22-250 long rifle and a Brasileira De Cartuchos 410-gauge shotgun on Dec. 24, 2002, in Greene County. Under federal law, Graves explained, it is illegal for any felon to be in possession of any firearm or ammunition. **Sisco** has two criminal felony convictions for driving while intoxicated in 1997 and 1998 in Greene County, Mo.

**Sisco** was originally charged in an indictment returned by a federal grand jury on April 3, 2003, in Springfield. He was later charged with illegally possessing additional firearms in an information filed in federal court on Aug. 13, 2003, in Springfield. **Sisco** pleaded guilty to the charges contained in the information.

The case was prosecuted by Special Assistant U.S. Attorney James J. Kelleher. It was investigated by the Springfield, Mo., Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

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